

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Gerbrand Deetman : Examiner: Ogden, Jr., Nechoalus
Serial No.: 09/801,883 : Group Art Unit: 1751
Filed: March 8, 2001 : Attorney Docket No.: 713629.354
For: STABILIZED PHOSPHATE :
ESTER-BASED FUNCTIONAL FLUID :
COMPOSITIONS : Customer No.: 27128
Last Office Action: March 15, 2006 : Confirmation No.: 7184

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 15, 2006, and within the fifth month for response thereto and upon payment of the appropriate extension fee, as noted in the accompanying Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the amendments and remarks as set forth herein. This Preliminary Amendment is filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this document.